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SUBJECT: PORTUGUESE TIMOR (PT) DEVELOPMENTS: MALIK
WELCOMES GOP NEGOTIATIONS OFFER

REF: JAKARTA 12484 (11 0506Z OCT 75)

1. JAKARTA PRESS REPORTS STATEMENT BY GOI FONMIN MALIK

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AFTER MEETING WITH DEFENSE AND INTELLIGENCE CHIEFS OCT. 14

THAT GOI WILLING HOLD TALKS WITH PROTUGAL ON PT AS PROPOSED BY GOP FONMIN ANTUNES (REFTEL). MALIK CONFIRMED THAT FORMAL REQUEST FOR TALKS HAD BEEN CONVEYED TO GOI BY ANTUNES IN NEW YORK. MALIK PROPOSED THAT TALKS TAKE PLACE IN SOME THIRD COUNTRY, AND STATED GOI EQUALLY WILLING MEET WITH GOP BEFORE OR AFTER GOP TALKS WITH PT PARTIES. MALIK SUGGESTED TALKS COULD TAKE PLACE "THIS MONTH", AND SAID GOI OBJECTIVE IN MEETING WOULD BE PREVENTION OF FURTHER BLOODSHED IN PT.

2. MALIK ALSO QUOTED IN PRESS AS REGRETTING PRESENCE IN DILI OF A NUMBER OF AUSTRALIAN CIVILIANS ALLEGEDLY (ACCORDING REPORTS FROM MACAO) HELPING TO ARM FRETILIN. MALIK SAID ANY SUCH ASSISTANCE WOULD ONLY DELAY SOLUTION TO PT CRISIS.

3. JAKARTA PRESS MEANTIME FEATURES REPORTS OF CONTINUING PROGRESS BY APODETI/UDT FORCES IN PT, AND CONSOLIDATION OF CONTROL OVER BATUGADE AREA. STATE NEWS AGENCY ANTARA OCT 12 REPORTED ESTABLISHMENT BY ANTI-FRETILIN FORCES OF PT-BASED CLANDESTINE RADIO AND INITIATION OF PROPAGANDA BROADCASTS IN LOCAL PT DIALECT.

4. ARMED FORCES-CONNECTED DAILY BERITA YUDHA OCT 15 CARRIED STORY OF FURTHER FRETILIN INCURSION INTO INDONESIAN TERRITORY OCT 13 IN WHICH TWO OF TWLEVE-MAN RAIDING PARTY KILLED BY GOI TROOPS. SAME PAPER REPORTS APPEARANCE OF DILI OCT 13 OF PORTUGUESE CORVETTE. ARTICLE SUGGESTS THAT ENTRY OF CORVETTE INTO DILI WOULD IMPLY GOP SIDING WITH FRETILIN IN PT POLITICAL STRUGGLES.
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